5/6/09 Board Workshop SCWA - TUC Petition Deadline: 4/30/09 by 12 noon

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Subject:

Our beloved River

Greetings! It is time to change our approach to water. We will lose this river and its wonderful wildlife if we do not stop the abuse of the supply by specifically the vineyards that could create a more natural approach to watering that is historically allowing the stock to harden and become more drought tolerant.

The amount of water used to irrigate is unnecessary. Instead of losing our river we must consider that grapes for alcohol cannot be our priority. Gallo recently blatantly abused its water privileges and fines are just factored into cost and does not stop the greedy from stealing water needed for salmon, egret, frog and human uses that are so key to the river community.

Sometimes the vineyards may have to lose some yield due to frost. Sincerely, Magick Altman

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